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# FSSAI Publishes Second Draft Amendment for Food Standards and Food Additives

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#### **Report Highlights:**

On December 11, 2012, the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) published Second Amendment to the Food Safety and Standards (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) Regulations, 2011. The FSSAI has invited comments/suggestions from stakeholders within a period of 30 days from the date on which this notification is made available to the public i.e. by January 11, 2013.

#### **General Information:**

**Introduction**: This report summarizes the proposed second draft amendment to the Food Safety and Standards Regulations 2011 established under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006, related to Food Product Standards and Food Additives.

The full text of the proposed amendment as given in the notification is given below.

- 1. (i) These regulations may be called the Food Safety and Standards (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) (Second Amendment) Regulations 2012.
  - (ii) They shall come into force from the date of their final publication in the Official Gazette.
- 2. In the Food Safety and Standards (Food Products Standards and Food Additives) Regulations, 2011, in regulation 2.2. relating to "FATS, OILS, AND FAT EMULSIONS",
- a. In sub-regulation 2.2.2. relating to 'Interesterified Vegetable fat, after the words "intersterification of the essentially neutral edible oil or fat, singly or in mixtures generally through", the words "enzymatic process or" shall be inserted;
- b. In sub-regulation 2.2.6 relating to HYDROGENATED VEGETABLE OILS,
- (i) In clause (1),-
  - A. After the words "a process of hydrogenation in any form", the words "or physical, chemical or enzymatic interesterification" shall be inserted;
  - B After the item (u), the following shall be inserted, namely: "(v) Palm Stearin";
  - C. in sub-clause (vii) for item (b) and entry relating thereto, the following item and entry shall be substituted, namely:
- "(b) Trans fatty acids, not more than ten per cent, by weight
- c. in sub-regulation 2.2.5 relating to MARGARINE AND FAT SPREADS, in clause (2), for sub-clause (ii) and the entries relating thereto, the following sub-clause and entries shall be substituted, namely:
- (ii) Trans fatty acids, not more than ten per cent by weight"

The full text of the notification dated November 29, 2012 can also be accessed at <u>Notification</u> on FSSAI website.

**Type of Regulation**: Draft

**Details of Notification:** F.No.P.15014/1/2011-PFA/FSSAI

**Publication Date**: November 29, 2012

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- **Time period for receiving Comments/Suggestions**: 30 days from the date when copies were made public (January 11, 2013).
- WTO notification Date: Not notified (as of December 26, 2012)

### Comments/suggestions should be addressed to:

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**Products Affected:** All food products

**Agency in Charge:** Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, Ministry of Health and Family

Welfare, GOI

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